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ALLOWANCE - House Rent - Increase of pay limit for eligibility - Orders issued.

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READ - the following:-

G.O. No. 78 Finance dated the 6th February 1947.
G.O. No. 289 Finance dated the 24th April 1947.

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ORDER:

In G.O. No. 78 Finance dated the 6th February 1947, the Government sanctioned on the recommendation of the Cabinet Salaries Committee, a scheme of new house rent allowance applicable to all Government servants on a pay upto Rs. 80 in Madras City and in mufassal municipalities with a population of over 50,000 mentioned in the Appendix to that order in lieu of the old presidency allowance in the City and house rent allowance in Vizagapatam. As this affected the scheme of Madras House Allowance in force in the City, necessary amendments were issued in G.O. No. 289 Finance dated the 24th April 1947 laying down a pay limit exceeding Rs. 80 for eligibility to the allowance if the other conditions of the scheme were satisfied.

Following on representations from the Madras Non-Gazetted Officers' Association and the Madras Secretariat Association, the Government have again carefully reviewed the position particularly as regards those Government servants on pay between Rs. 80 and Rs. 150 per mensem. Apart from the scarcity of accommodation, it is found that the present Madras House Allowance scheme is not working fairly in the case of certain classes of Government servants between these limits. For instance, upper division clerks in "A" class offices in the City are not entitled to Madras House Allowace, as their scale of pay has a higher maximum than that in force in the mofussil, while the Madras House Allowance is admissible in the case of upper division clerks in "B" class offices.

To obviate the hardship in such cases and with a view to affording relief to non-gazetted subordinates, His Excellency the Governor has decided to raise the pay limit for eligibility to the new House Rent Allowance to Rs. 150 and to lay down the following rates of allowances for those on the pay range between Rs. 81 and Rs. 150:-

Pay range.		Rate of allowance per mensem.
I. Mofussil Municipalities detailed in the Appendix to G.O. No. 78 Finance dated 6th February 1947.	(i) Pay exceeding Rs.80 but not exceeding Rs.100-	Rs 7
	(ii) Pay exceeding Rs.100 but not exceeding Rs.150	10
II. Madras City.	Pay exceeding Rs.80 but not exceeding Rs. 150	10 per cent of pay subject to a minimum of Rs.10 per mensem.

2. The house rent allowance sanctioned in paragraph 1 above will be admissible to all Government servants on a pay of Rs. 150 and less who are not entitled to free quarters, in lieu of Madras House Allowance or any other house rent allowance they may now be drawing. Government servants in the City drawing pay between Rs. 81 and Rs. 150 and now in receipt of Madras House Allowance will be given the option of drawing whichever allowance is more advantageous to them, but those not now in receipt of Madras House Allowance will be eligible only for the new house

rent allowance sanctioned in the foregoing paragraph. Government servants drawing a pay exceeding Rs. 150 but not exceeding Rs.165 in the City and exceeding Rs, 150 but not exceeding Rs. 160 in the mofussil municipalities (detailed in Appendix to G.O. No. 78 Finance dated the 6th February 1947) will be allowed a house rent allowance which with together with their pay will give them a total emolument of Rs. 165 or Rs. 160, as the case may be. Government servants drawing a pay of less than Rs. 150 per mensem who are entitled to a house rent allowance in lieu of rent free quarters will be allowed to draw the difference if the new rates of house allowance are higher. For purposes of the allowance, "pay" will be defined as in Fundamental Rule 9 (21) (a). The allowance will be admissible (at the rates referred to above) to all the members of a family who are employed under this Government in the City and in the mofussil municipalities detailed in the Appendix to G.O. No. 78 Finance dated the 6th February 1947 irrespective of whether they reside within or outside the municipal limits concerned and of whether they are living together or not.

These orders will take effect from 1st July 1948.

3. In consequences of the orders in paragraph 1 above, the entries in paragraph 1 (i) (ii) and (iii) of G.O. No. 289 Finance dated the 24th April 1947 will be replaced by the following:-

(i) Non-Gazetted Government servants in the City drawing pay of Rs. 80 per mensem and less.	New House rent allowance at the rates specified in G.O. 78 Fin. dated 6th February 47
(ii) Non-gazetted Government servants in the City drawing an actual pay exceeding Rs. 80 per mensem, but not exceeding Rs.150 per mensem.	New House rent allowance calculated at 10 per cent of pay, subject to a minimum of Rs. 10 per mensem.
(iii) Non-Gazetted Government servants in the City, drawing an actual pay exceeding Rs. 150 per mensem who otherwise satisfy the conditions of Madras House Allowance Scheme.	Madras House Allowance subject to a maximum of Rs. 25 per mensem.

4. Necessary amendments to the Madras Manual of Special Pay and Allowances will be issued separately in due course.

(By order of His Excellency the Governor)

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